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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT:

Meeting with Congressman Les Aspin,

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- 1. On 17 August, I had a meeting with Congressman Les Aspin. He asked me whether we were doing any good net assessments these days. I explained the net assessment thorn to him. I did boast about what was a good comparative force evaluation in NIE 11-3-8. I also described the fact that we were trying to find some better comparative measures of capability in conventional forces, most specifically in the NATO and Warsaw Pact aircraft capabilities.
- 2. The Congressman expressed considerable interest in this. I offered to have him come out to the Agency and run through NIE 11-3-8 and also a description of what progress we were making in conventional force comparisons.
- to try to get an hour on my schedule 3. I'll ask for this at a time that is acceptable to Congressman Aspin. Would you please be ready for Howard and me to give him a quick rundown on the strategic estimate, and Sid (or whoever is most involved) a description of what we are doing in the conventional area.

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cc: Legislative Counsel

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